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TO AMEMBASSY BRASILIA PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY CARACAS PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

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SUBJECT: NOAA SHIP MT. MITCHELL

REF: A) STATE 32195; B) STATE 63012

1. ITINERARY FOR CABLE ROUTE SURVEYS FOR SUBJECT VESSEL HAS ONCE AGAIN BEEN MODIFIED. REGARDING REF (B), PARA 3, AT AND T REPRESENTATIVES HAVE RECOMMENDED THAT MT. MITCHELL CONDUCT BRAZILIAN LEGS OF SURVEY, RATHER THAN BRAZILIAN VESSEL. HOWEVER, DECISION-MAKING PROCESS IN THIS MATTER IS DRAGGING. AS RESULT, NOAA WOULD PREFER TO DELAY BRAZILIAN LEG UNTIL LATER IN SURVEY.

2. VESSEL'S ITINERARY IS AS FOLLOWS:

ARRIVE	PORT	DEPART
XXX	ST. THOMAS	7 APR
9 APR	MAIGUETIA	9 APR
11 APR	ST. THOMAS	14 APR

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23 APR FORTALEZA 26 APR

6 MAY ST. THOMAS 8 MAY
12 MAY JACKSONVILLE 12 MAY
16 MAY PT. BARRIOS 16 MAY
19 MAY MIAMI XXX

3. FOR BRASILIA: WE HOPE THAT WEEK'S DELAY IN FORTALEZA
PORT CALL WILL ENABLE AT AND T TO RESOLVE WITH GOB QUESTION
OF WHICH VESSEL SHOULD DO THIS WORK. DO NOT APPROACH
GOB ON THIS POINT, BUT PLEASE ADVISE DEPT IF GOB OFFICIALS
OR OTHERS RAISE THIS QUESTION WITH YOU.

4. FOR CARACAS: NEW ITINERARY ADVANCES MAIGUETIA CALL
ALMOST FULL MONTH. PLEASE ADVISE IF GOV APPROVAL FOR
MT. MITCHELL PROGRAM CAN BE OBTAINED IN TIME FOR VESSEL
TO DEPART ST. THOMAS ON 7 APR. EMBASSY MAY NOTE TO GOV
THAT THIS CHANGE IN SCHEDULE IS NOT ARBITRARY, BUT IS
NECESSARY IN VIEW OF PROBLEM CITED ABOVE.

5. FOR GUATEMALA: SINCE CHANGE IN SCHEDULE FOR PT.
BARRIOS CALL IS ONLY ONE DAY, ADDITIONAL NOTIFICATION
TO GOG MAY NOT BE NECESSARY. KISSINGER

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